Fort Pillow

Sustainability Features

Wildlife

Fort Pillow State Historic Park has been designated as a Wildlife Observation Area by the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency. Interpretive signs identify certain species and their habitat. The park provides sanctuary for deer, turkey, and is frequented by bird watchers.

Events

Throughout the year, the Fort Pillow hosts many events that visitors can attend and enjoy the natural beauty and learn about the historical significance of park.

During April, the annual civil war reenactment takes place at the park, commemorating the anniversary of the Battle of Fort Pillow.

Programs offered include hikes, museum tours, a battle between North and South, rifle and cannon demonstrations, and wood fire cooking demonstrations.

In October, the park hosts its annual Fall Festival. Programs and events include a costume contest, pumpkin decorating contest, and hayrides.



Did You Know?

Fort Pillow was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1973, and designated as a National Landmark in 1975

Park Highlights



- Visited by 250,000 people in 2011
- There are 20 miles of hiking trails, many of those miles paralleling the earthwork fortifications at the site
- The Interpretive Center and museum houses a number of Civil war displays relative to the battle at Fort Pillow. Items on display include cannons, memorabilia related to General Forrest, and artifacts found on the park

